ABSOLUTE RATING: Average

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Below Average

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 87.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating Average

Improvement Rating

2001 2002

2003 2004 Below Average

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

English/ Language Arts









Below Basic

DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- **Proficient** Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT					
	English/			Social	
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies	
All students (n=275)	75.3	66.5	N/A	N/A	
Students with disabilities other than					
Speech (n=42)	33.3	34.9			
Students without disabilities (n=232)	83.2	72.4			
Gender					
Male (n=138)	70.3	65.9			
Female (n=136)	80.9	67.2			
Ethnic Group					
African American (n=32)	59.4	43.8			
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A			
White (n=242)	77.7	69.5			
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A			
Lunch Status Group					
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=123)	68.3	57.3			
Pay for lunch (n=151)	81.5	74.2			

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$4,449	N/A	\$5,090	\$5,347
Prime instructional time	94.6%	Up from 94.2%	90.7%	90.2%
 Student-teacher ratio in core subjects 	24.7 to 1	N/A	19.1 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=570)				
Attendance Rate	96.4%	Up from 96.3%	96.2%	96.2%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	5.8%	N/A	3.7%	4.1%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level 	5.5%	N/A	2.4%	3.1%
First graders who attended full day kindergarten	95.9%	Down from 96%	96.1%	96.3%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate TEACHERS (n=39)	6.1%	Up from 5.8%	3.2%	3.6%
 Professional Development days per teacher 	5 Days	Down from 5.4	7.6 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	98.7%	Up from 98.1%	95.5%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	38.5%	Down from 41.7	% 48.5%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	79.5%	Up from 75.7%	84%	83.8%
 Teachers with out-of-field permits 	10.3%	Up from 2.7%	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	87.9%	Down from 88.3	% 88.1%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$36,857	Up 2.8%	\$38,047	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	62.2%	N/A	64.4%	65.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	1	N/A	4	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	99%	N/A	96.6%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	N/A	N/A	43.1%	43.1%
 On academic probation 	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	0.9%	Up from 0.2%	1%	1.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	0	N/A	0	1
Gifted and talented	15%	Up from 9.1%	14.8%	11.5%
 With disabilities other than speech 	10.7%	Up from 9.6%	9.2%	8.4%

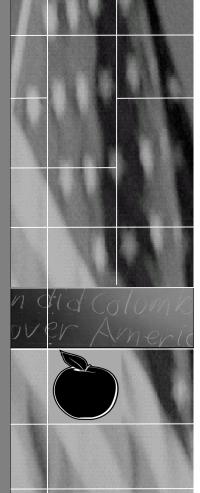
PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Heritage Elementary bridges the Travelers Rest and Marietta community in Northern Greenville County. The 640 children come from rural homes. Few neighborhoods are served by this school. There are 24 regular classes, one Learning Disabled and two Educable Mentally Handicapped classes. Resource classes are offered to all who qualify.

The South Carolina State Academic standards are followed closely in Reading, Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science. Pat Cunningham's 4Blocks Teaching Methods for Reading is used throughout grades 1 to 5. All Learning Styles are addressed during instruction. Cooperative Learning, guidance instruction, a value word of the week, integrated learning opportunites, hands on active instruction, field trips, conflict mediation, using the arts to convey knowledge, technology, student performances, and traditional techniques combine to offer Heritage students an excellent education.

Special events include "Heritage Day" in November. Here students are exposed to various arts and activities which relect the heritage of our area and instill pride in our community and country. Also, "Art Works" is in May. Here students are exposed to fifty-two artists who come to share their art forms and two musical performances. Many smaller events happened throughout the year which contribute to broadening our children's education experiences.

The active PTA, the many committees of teachers, and supportive members of the business community help Heritage Elementary to excel and achieve excellence.



Heritage Elementary 1592 Geer Highway Travelers Rest. SC 29690

Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 570 Students

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Annual School Report Card
Report Card

2001

School Grade: Average

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	92.5	77.3	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	95.0	84.0	
Satisfied with home-school relations	72.5	80.6	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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